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Hilda E. Smith

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 4, 2007, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are set forth in the listing of the claims that begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks start at page 5 of this paper.